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And the public may be aſſured that no trouble, attention or expence, ſhall be ſpared to render the preſent undertaking uſeful, inſtructive and entertaining.

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Verſes to a young Lady, preſenting her with a withered Roſe; and an Epitaph on a Shoe-maker, will be inſerted in our next.

Polites Koſmou will excuſe our neglecting his Queſtions, as we conſider them not *very* important.

An Account of a Merman, or Sea-Monſter, and ſeveral other pieces, came too late for this Month.